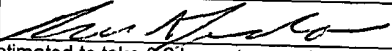


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120	220	310	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
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